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SOURCE Ta Kung PaoPEIPING, CANTON, AND WEST CHINA IMPROVE HIGHWAY TRANSPORT FACILITIES

[Summary: During 1953, the Peiping municipal government plans to construct 100 kilometers of new highways and improve 110 kilometers of side streets. The new roads will aid the construction program in progress west of the city. Six new gates in the city wall are to be opened.

The Canton Municipal Motor Transport Company is expected to spend 500,000 US dollars in the construction of a reinforced concrete service garage and parts factory, dormitories for employees and their families, a restaurant, and office building.

Ten automobile engines have been built at the Wuhan Motor Vehicle Assembly Works No 4, using Soviet Pobeda engine designs and blueprints.

Work began, on 1 May 1953, on the Huang-ho-yen -- Yu-shu section of the Tsinghai--Tibet highway.

Motor transport on the Sikang--Tibet highway, now in operation from K'ang-ting to Ch'ang-tu, has effected great reductions in prices of articles brought in to Tibet from China.]

PEIPING PLANNING EXTENSIVE HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS -- Hong Kong, Ta Kung Pao, 17 May 53

Peiping -- The Peiping municipal government has plans for the construction, during 1953, of 100 kilometers of new highways and for the improvement of some 120 side streets (hu-t'ungs) totaling 110 kilometers in length. Among the new highways to be built are a new trunk motor road 11 kilometers long from the Hsi-chih Men to the I-ho-yuan (Summer Palace). In the area west of the city where so many large construction projects are in progress, three east-west roads lying

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between the Fou-ch'eng Men and the Fu-hsing Men, and a 13-kilometer-long motor road from the Te-sheng Men to the Ch'ing Ho, to be known as the Te-ch'ing Road are to be built. In the eastern suburbs, there is to be a main road leading from the Ch'ao-yang Men to the Tung-ta Bridge, and one outside of the Chien-kuo Men. In the south suburbs, the road outside the Yung-ting Men leading to Nan-yuan, is to be improved and widened to 100 meters for a portion of its length.

The improvement of the side streets will include surfacing with asphalt an aggregate area of 240,000 square meters, which is about one tenth of the surface area of all the side streets in the city. A total of 32 macadamized roads, including the Kuo-hui Chieh, inside the Hsuan-wu Men, and the Hsi-tan-p'i-ts'ai Hu-t'ung, are to be made medium-class asphalt roads. Wang-fu-ching Ta-chieh and the two side lanes of Ti-an Men Ta-chieh are to be similarly treated. The road between Shih-ching-shan and Men-t'ou-kou is to be resurfaced with asphalt. Because of the heavy traffic which they will have to carry, all the new roads are to be constructed as first-class permanent all-weather roads.

The road outside the Chien-kuo Men and the Te-ch'ing Lu (Road) are to be 50-60 meters wide, providing lanes for fast and slow traffic and sidewalks for pedestrians. Tests of the foundation of sections of the Te-ch'ing Lu have shown the need to put drainage tiles beneath the road-bed and raise its surface above the level of the adjacent land.

To provide convenient access between areas inside and outside the city wall, additional gates are to be opened at six points, namely: at the Fou-ch'eng Men where the existing archway is to be removed, at the Nan-ts'ai-yuan behind Wu-ting, in the west wall near the Temple of Agriculture, in the east wall opposite the Tung-tsung-pu Hu-t'ung, at a point opposite the small street north of the Tung-chih Men, and at a point near the lower end of Lung-hsu-kou.

CANTON EXPANDING LOCAL TRANSPORT FACILITIES -- Hong Kong, Ta Kung Pao, 1 May 53

Hong Kong, 30 April -- The Canton Municipal Government has given the equivalent of 500,000 US dollars to the Canton Municipal Motor Transport Company for the erection of a reinforced concrete service garage and parts factory to replace the old facilities that are outgrown.

The new installation, to be built on Mei-hua-hang Chieh, will include a supplies depot and a dormitory for employees. In addition, it is planned to build at Ta-sha-t'ou, houses for the families of employees, a restaurant for employees, and a large building for the company offices. The repair shops will be equipped with the latest and best equipment, and will be large enough to accommodate simultaneously 20 busses or trucks while they are undergoing repairs. In the yards adjacent to the service garage, there will be space for parking 100 vehicles.

AUTOMOBILE ENGINES BEING BUILT IN HANKOW -- Hong Kong, Ta Kung Pao, 5 Jul 53

Wuhan, 4 July, (Hsin-hua) -- Apart from the electric accessories pertaining thereto, ten automobile engines have been built and tested in the Wuhan Motor Vehicle Assembly Works No 4. In the manufacture of these automobile engines, the designs, and blueprints of the Soviet Pobeda engines were used.

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PROGRESS IN CONSTRUCTING TSINGHAI-TIBET HIGHWAY -- Hong Kong, Ta Kung Pao,
4 May 53

Hsi-ning, 3 May (Chung-kuo Hsin-wen-she) -- The ceremony of breaking ground to begin work on the Huang-ho-yen -- Yu-shu section of the Tsinghai-Tibet highway was held at Huang-ho-yen on 1 May 1953. The completion of the 504 kilometer section from Hsi-ning to Huang-ho-yen, on the Yellow River work on which was started in 1950, has shortened by one half the time required for the journey between Hsi-ning and Yu-shu.

The section on which work is now starting will have to cross the Yellow River and the Chin-sha Chiang upper reaches of the Yangtze River. It will also cross mountain ranges 4,500 meters high as well as 12 kilometers of sandy desert and 10 kilometers of swampy land.

LHASA HIGHWAY AFFECTING PRICES IN TIBET -- Hong Kong, Ta Kung Pao, 3 Aug 53

K'ang-ting -- Formerly people in Kan-tzu in eastern Tibet were obliged to give 6 or 7 pounds of wool in exchange for one pound of noodles brought in from China. Since the Sikang-Tibet motor road can be traveled as far as Ch'ang-tu, one-half pound of wool is sufficient to buy a pound of noodles. Similar price reductions apply to other daily necessities.

Among the goods from China purchased by the Tibetans are cotton and silk fabrics, tea, soap, towels, manufactured articles and simple agricultural implements. The highway has brought to the Tibetan people living near it such an improvement in living conditions that they willingly undertake the work of highway maintenance.

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